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No, it's not a moving red carpet, they're crabs – millions of them. Come along as we check out the amazing annual migration of the red crab, but be warned, watch your step!

f you love yummy seafood and all things creepy and crawly, this is the story for you. On Christmas Island, an ancient volcano 1400km north-west of Australia, there live about 2300 people.

However, there's another community on the island that outnumbers humans – by millions!

The red crab is Christmas Island's most famous resident, and with numbers estimated at 130 million, they make for a unique attraction. In fact, you can't miss them.

If you visit Christmas Island at the right time of the year, you can watch an amazing journey of nature with your own eyes.

It's the annual migration of the red crab – a journey that takes these creatures from the rainforests of Christmas Island to the sea.

The first rains of
October or November trigger the long trip
which takes about seven days. That's when

the red crabs scurry, side-to-side towards their final destination.

The crabs leave the rainforests on their long and often perilous trek to reach lower ground where they will mate, and where

the females will release their eggs.



Far from getting crabby when their roads are invaded by the moving red mass, locals take it in their stride. For visitors, it's an amazing sight – and a great photo opportunity



Photograph: Jean-Paul Ferrero/AUSCAPE

Island locals carry on with life as normal — even if the crabs get in the way of a game of golf! The residents are so used to this event,

it's now as normal as the changing seasons.

When the totally

exhausted crabs finally reach the Indian

Ocean,

they bathe in the

> sea spray or in

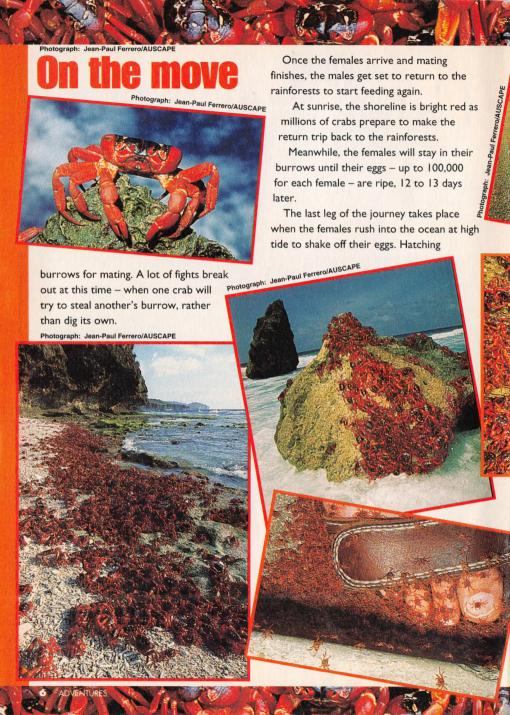
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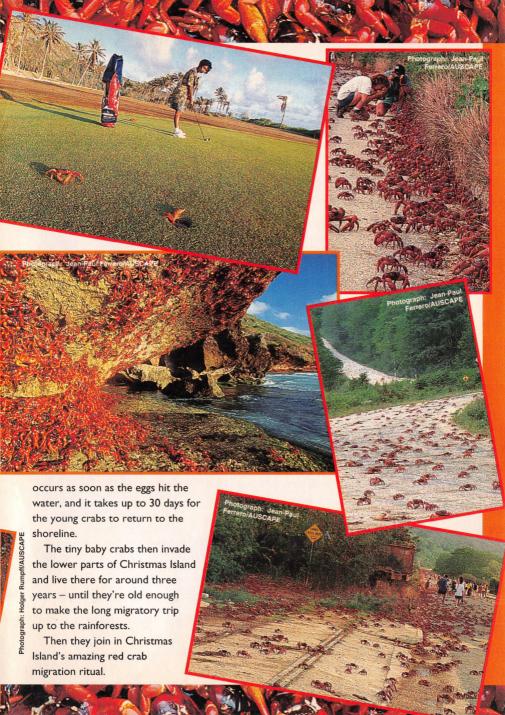
their dehydrated bodies.

The males, who arrive first, dig the Please turn the page

Around one million crabs die during the migration due to dehydration, stress, being run over by cars, eaten by predators and drowning.

-Although it's a crazy sight seeing these huge red crabs scurry down the main street, the Christmas





TICKET

YOUR ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Willy and his protector are back for a third time



REE WILLY was a monster hit in the Christmas of 1994 and audiences flocked to see its sequel a year later.

The whale is back for a third time in Free Willy III, a movie certain to tug at the heartstrings of animal lovers.

Jason James Richter, who starred in the original movie and sequel, returns to help his big mate when Willy and his pod are threatened by illegal whaling.

The plot follows a 10-year-old-boy, Max (Vincent Berry), who's excited to be going on a trip with his father (Patrick Kilpatrick) on a commercial fishing boat.

Max's excitement turns to horror when he learns the true nature of his father's business – illegal whaling which threatens the life of Willy and his pod. When Max meets Jesse (Jason), the boys take on a perilous mission to save the endangered animals.

Jason, who won the lead role in the original Free Willy ahead of 4000 candidates, has become a sought-after actor. He will also be seen in Laser Hawk, a science-fiction movie, early next year.

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THE CONNELLS -WEIRD FOOD AND DEVASTATION

IT'S not really fair to compare bands, but we will anyway.

If you love Oasis,

you'll love The Connells.

Their sound, at times, is very similar.

We love The Connells, especially
Track 1, Maybe.

It's good rock.

BRAD - INTERIORS

THIS album will get inside your head quick smart.

Track 1, Secret Girl, with its driving guitar and catchy chorus,



will have you reaching for the repeat button. Give all the tracks a listen as they are all outstanding.

Each song has a very different feel.

It's easy to see why the album is called Interiors, you'll stay inside all day just wanting to listen to



OLIVE - EXTRA VIRGIN

WOW, freaked out by keyboards. Imagine trumpet, fluglehorn, keyboards and a computer teaming with

eerie vocals and you have

Olive. This album has feeling and is dancy at the same time, and the sound's quite unusual.

Looking for something different? This one makes the grade.



SCREAMING JETS -WORLD GONE CRAZY

IT really is a rocking Ticket this month, and we think The Screaming Jets' World Gone Crazy is one of the best.

Crank this one up and

sing along with some really cool songs.



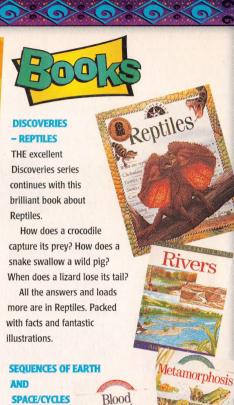
Telling lyrics back up the solid rock. Track 2, When I Go, has a lot to say about the sillier side of life. Good stuff from start to finish.

DEADSTAR - MILK

A FANTASTIC album from a good local band.

Track 1, Don't It Get You Down, is such an unreal song, try not to sing along with this catchy number. Guitars, drums and percussion, and the fantastic voice of Caroline Kennedy, make this is a must-have Aussie album.

A real heady rocker.



SPACE/CYCLES OF LIFE

DOING a school project? Don't go past this broad series of books

covering a wide range of topics. Rivers, Rain, Stars,

Seasons, Metamorphosis,
Blood Circulation, Trees and
Evolution are just some of the
topics. Informative facts and
detailed illustrations
combine to make these
books invaluable.

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BONE CHILLERS: Night Of the Living Clay

SOMETHING'S going on in Tasha Kares' basement – something noisy and smelly and creepy.

Where have the day statues her brother made gone? And what is that with sharp, pointy teeth snapping at Tasha's ankle?

Totally scary. Truly freaky.





HERE'S the low-down on the man who created Goosebumps. Was R.L. Stine a scary kid? Did he have a weird family? Did his friends at school think he was strange?

Why does he like to terrify his readers? Where does he get the frightening ideas for his stories?

All your questions about one of our favorite authors are answered in this cool book featuring private snapshots and photos from his family album.

Check out the freaky, moving picture on the cover.

SMELLY OLD HISTORY

THESE fun books are Disney Adventures' favorite this month.

Scratch 'n' Sniff your way through the past with Roman Aromas, Tudor Odours and Victorian Vapours.

Smell a Roman toilet, cop a whiff of fish in the market place and pass out with fumes from the factory! These great books will fill your head with images of the past as well as sending your senses into overdrive.

Totally cool, truly excellent.

12 COOL BOOK PACKS

Disney Adventures and Puffin, courtesy of Penguin, are giving DA readers the chance to win the whole set of Rachel Flynn's cool I Hate Fridays series. There're 12 packs to win and each winner gets these books: I Hate Fridays, It's Not Fair, I Can't Wait, Worried Sick and Messing Around. All you have to do is draw your own book cover that tells us something about your school. Don't forget to give your book a title. We'll pick the 12 best entries. Send your entries to

Disney Adventures
School Book Competition
PO Box 2951DD

Melbourne, Vic 8050.

Penguin Books Australia Ltd

Entries dose October 31 and winners will be notified by mail.

THE SCHERNOFF DISCOVERIES

GARY PAULSEN tells a great story about an excellent friendship he shared with a crazy genius, Harold Schernoff.

Harold is so cool, he puts everything

which includes creating the world's largest-ever frog collection. But like most geniuses, he is a magnet for trouble - big trouble!

into his madcap research -



A GREAT seguel to Sit Down Mum, There's Something I've Got To Tell You.

In her new role as teen guru for the local newspaper, Hatty is up against some pretty tough questions - zits, over-protective parents,

a troublesome lovelife. No question is too curly for the hotline.

MESSING AROUND

HERE it is - the fifth and final book in the I Hate Fridays series and it's super, with all those crazy characters from Koala Hills back.

But this time they're in Year 8 and dealing with a whole new set of problems. Just wait 'til you see where they're headed!

SOURT N' WEAR

TAKE a perfectly dean white shirt. load a water pistol with paint, take aim and fire! You have the groovy, and totally radical Squirt 'n' Wear Squirt Shirt. Create your own fashion statement the possibilities are endless.

> Also available, Squirt Beach Towel, Squirt Cap, Squirt Speed Loaders. A great Aussie product.

BUZZ LIGHTYGAR DRESS UP SET

DRESS up and become Toy Story's Buzz Lightyear to the rescuel Press the three buttons on the chest piece to hear Buzz's voice: "I'm Buzz Lightyear" _ "I come in peace" ... "Buzz Lightyear to the rescue" ... "To infinity and beyond". It also features laser sound effects.

INTERGALACTIC VAC PAC

MEET Humongor, a malleable morphing monster! He may look small to begin with, but apply the vac pump and watch him power up. We love the creatures of the Vac universe. Start collecting all the amazing characters.

NUTELLA SIMPSON'S GLASS GIF PACK

HERE'S a great combination. These favorite cartoon characters have joined forces with that yummy, nutty spread. Nutella. Once you've finished downing the

scrumptious hazelnut

spread, you are left with a neat glass featuring a Simpsons character. There are eight great designs. Start collecting.

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YOUR ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE *

BIRTHDAY BONANZA!

Courtesy of Chris Turner

Former Neighbours star Guy Pearce, who is making it big in Hollywood, will be 30 on October 5th ... Popular actress Julia Roberts turns 30 on the 28th ... Zachary Walker Hanson, the youngest member of the hottest group around, Hanson, turns 12 on the 22nd ... Aussie pop star

Dannii Minogue celebrates her 26th birthday on the 20th.

Zac Hanson's fan club address:

Zac Hanson Hanson c/- HITZlist PO Box 703136 Tulsa, OK 74170 USA



NESQUIK Bunny Would also like to wish a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY to:

Benjamin Southby, who turns 7 on October 2, Graime Livingstone will be 9 on the 4th, Nicholas Goulding is 13 on the 5th, Melanie Wuethrich celebrates her 7th birthday on 21th Alexandra Cook turns 11 on the 18th and Rene

the 12th, Alexandra Cook turns 11 on the 18th and Rene Bester turns 12 on September 23.

Send in your birthday details, along with a description of your perfect present and why you'd love one. We'll pick six of the coolest answers and the winners will receive a special birthday gift – a NESQUIK backpack full of NESQUIK goodies. Address it to:

Disney Adventures
NESQUIK Birthday Competition
GPO Box 1743Q
MELBOURNE VIC 8050





THE BUGALOOS

GET set for non-stop fun with the crazy Bugaloos.

Join Benita, Bizarre, Sparky,

I.Q., Harmony, Courage and Joy for some madcap adventures.

There are two episodes on this video, including the groovy episode

where Sparky has a crush on a firefly named Gina.



WISHBONE HERCULES

THAT cute little Jack Russell terrier is back and he's up to

all his old tricks.

Can he beat the fierce dragon to complete his dangerous mission? Will he retrieve the golden apples of the Hesperides sisters?

Follow this smart, little canine on his adventure for a fun lesson in classic literature. It's lots of laughs too.

THE SWAN PRINCESS AND THE SECRET OF THE CASTLE

IF you loved the Swan Princess, then you'll be thrilled with this new release. Princess Odette and Prince Derek must face the evil



sorcerer Clavius in their guest to save Swan Lake. This is adventure all the way. The music's great too. You'll be tapping

along with Princess Odette and her forest friends in no time.

THE JETSONS FIRST EPISODES

THIS is just the best. Together for the first time - four of The Jetsons' first history-making shows. This is television's original space-age family, and definitely the grooviest.



WIN! WISHBONE PRIZE PACKS

NOW you can take Wishbone home with you. Disney **Adventures and Roadshow Entertainment are giving** 10 DA readers the chance to win these ace Wishbone packs: A Wishbone Hercules video and a Wishbone plush toy. All you have to do is tell us what type of dog would make the bravest, smartest hero and why. We'll pick the 10 best

answers. Send your entries to:

Disney Adventures Wishbone Competition PO Box 2951DD Melbourne Vic 8050 **Entries dose October** 31 and winners will be notified by mail.



WINI 20 SWAN PRINCESS PACKS

CHECK out these amazing prize packs that Disney Adventures and Columbia Tristar Home Video are giving away to celebrate the video release of The Swan Princess And The Secret Of The Castle. There are 20 packs to win and here's what's inside: The video The Swan Princess And The Secret Of The Castle, a colorful tattoo sheet of fun characters from the movie, a color sticker sheet, a pencil set and activity book, a cute beanie baby (one of the three in the picture, which we'll pick for you), a drink bottle and it all comes in this fantastic Swan Princess lunchbox!

This is what you have to do: Draw your own



secret castle and tell us what secrets hide inside. We'll pick the 20 most imaginative answers. Send your entries to:

Disney Adventures Swan Princess Competition PO Box 2951DD Melbourne Vic 8050 Entries close October 31 and winners will be notified by mail.

WIN A TRIP TO NEW YORK WITH SPC

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To celebrate the video release of Disney's James and the Giant Peach, SPC are giving you the chance to win a family trip to New York!

Entry forms available at your local Woolworths & Safeway store.

CONDITIONS

- Information on how to enter and prize details form part of these conditions.
- 2 Entry is open to all Australian residents other than employees and their immediate families and retailers, suppliers and associated companies and agencies.
- 3 The competition commences 3 September 1997 and entries close last mail received 31 December 1997.
- 4. The first valid entry drawn which contains a competition entry token from 'James and the Giant Peach' and i bar code from any SPC Cool Fruits Pack or SPC Snack Pack will win a family trip for four (2 adults and 2 children under is years of age) to New York, flying return economy with Qantas. Seven nights accommodation in New York is included. Airfares from the winners capital city to Melbourne or Sydney will also be included. Retail prize value is \$12,000. The first one hundred valid entries drawn which contain 2 barcodes from any SPC Cool Fruits Pack or SPC Snack Pack will each win a 'James and the Giant Peach' Gift Pack valued at \$35.00 each. Total prize pool value is \$15,500.
- 5 The travel prize does not include passports, visas, meals, airport transfers, spending money, insurance and ancillary costs, which are to be the responsibility of the winner. The travel prize must be completed by 31st May, 1998 and bookings are subject to availability.

- 6 Claiming a prize is acceptance for the promoter to use winners' details for the promoters promotional and media publicity purposes.
- 7 The draw will take place at 3.00pm on Tuesday 6th January, 1998 at the offices of SPC Limited, Suite 2, 10 Hudson Ave, Castle Hill, NSW, 2154. If any prizes are unclaimed they will be awarded in such further draws as are necessary at 10.00am on Monday 6th April, 1998 at Suite 2, 10 Hudson Ave, Castle Hill, NSW, 2154, subject to any written directions given under Reg 37 of the Lottery and Gaming Regulations, 1993 (SA).
- 8 The winners will be notified by mail and the winners' names published in The Australian on Monday, 12th January, 1998.
- 9 The prizes are not transferable, exchangeable or redeemable for cash.
- 10 The promoter shall not be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever which is suffered (including but not limited to direct or consequential loss), or for any personal injury suffered or sustained during the course of the prize winning holiday.
- The promoter is SPC Limited, (ACN 004077105), Andrew Fairley Avenue, Shepparton, Vic 3051.
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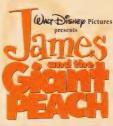
PLUS...

100 fantastic James and the Giant Peach packs filled with lots of cool stuff valued at \$35.00.

Buy James and the Giant Peach on video plus any SPC Cool Fruits Pack or SPC Snack Pack to enter the major prize draw or see entry forms in store for details.









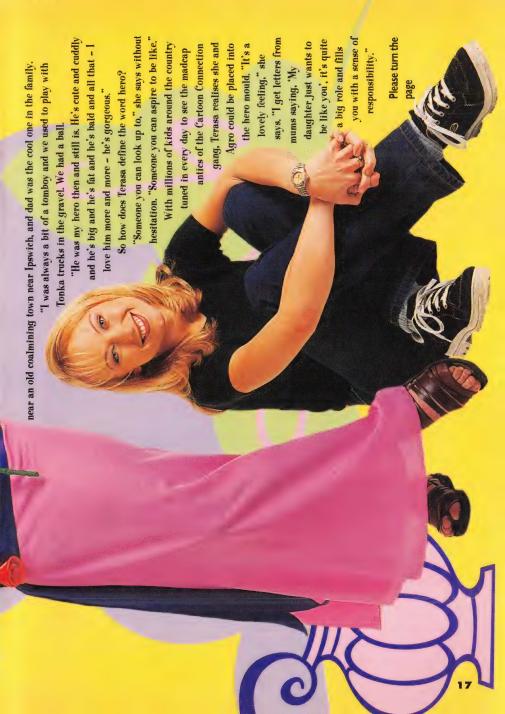








beautiful Meg. Here she gives DA her hero tips My dad is my hero," Terasa says proudly. "I grew up on a farm Livingstone leaped at the chance to become the UDDLING up close to Walt Disney's latest and bravest hero, While Terasa has no doubt regarding Hercules' standing as a Livingstone of Agro's Cartoon Connection would turn her hero, the man she looks up to the most is her dad John. the mighty Hercules, it's only natural that Terasa and reveals her own mighty Hercules Dressing up is great fun and Terasa mind to all things brave, mighty and admired. Pom Agro



TERASA THE BRAVE

Ferasa doesn't hold back when her job demands risks and high danger.

"When I was reporting on the show I was given complete creative control," she says. 'So I went for all the action-type stories.

"I went diving with sharks, parachuting, hang gliding, water skiing, jet skiing, snow skiing, bungy jumping, high diving and scuba diving.

"I've played with sling shots, jousted with pirates and I've been even shot out of a canon.

"The thing is that I don't take unnecessary risks.

"I want things mapped out before I do
them, so I know what is going to happen."
Of all her amazing feats, Terasa regards
her entry into the often
cut-throat world of

"Going into TV takes an of auts." she says. "and

awful lot of guts," she says, "and working with Agro especially, is a big leap."

Terasa is also living proof that it pays to set

yourself goals.
"I stood up in Grade 3 and told the rest of the

class that one day I was going to be an actress and that I was

going on television," she recalls.

DRASAS HERO TIPS

Of the brave you have to have confidence in your own sense of judgement. You only live once so you may as well give life your best and

- Being brave is not following the erowd. If you don't want to d something, don't do it.
- Jumping off buildings. The bravent thing anyone can do is to have your own opinion, believe it is true, and stick to it and not be thrown off by someone saying.

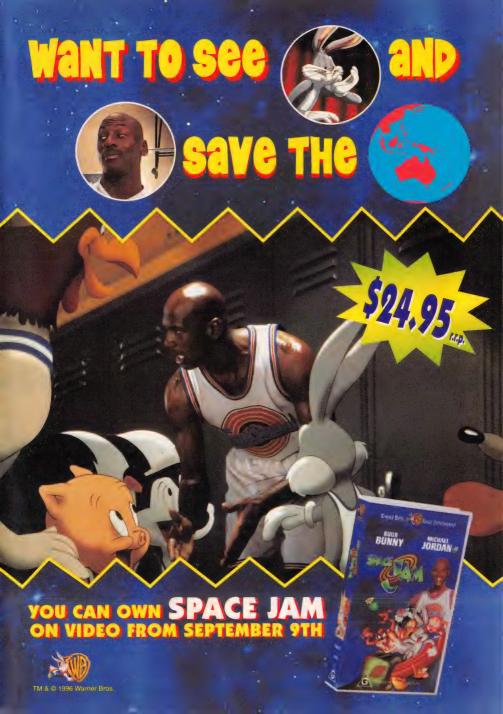
 "No, I think you are wrong."

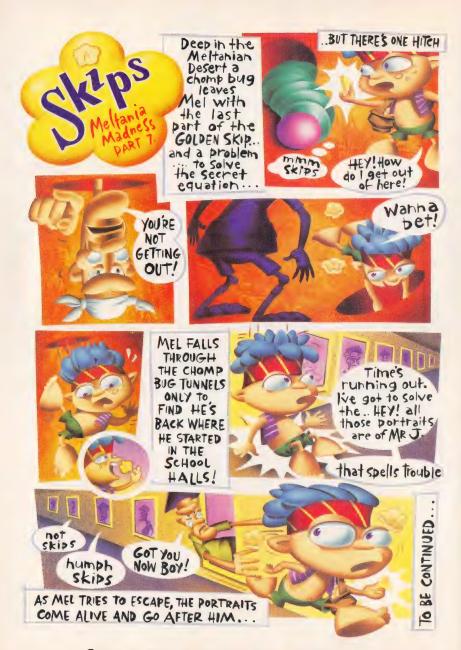
And with sound advice like that, we reckon, Terasa, like our cool friend Herents, is worthy of the title HFRO

television as her biggest

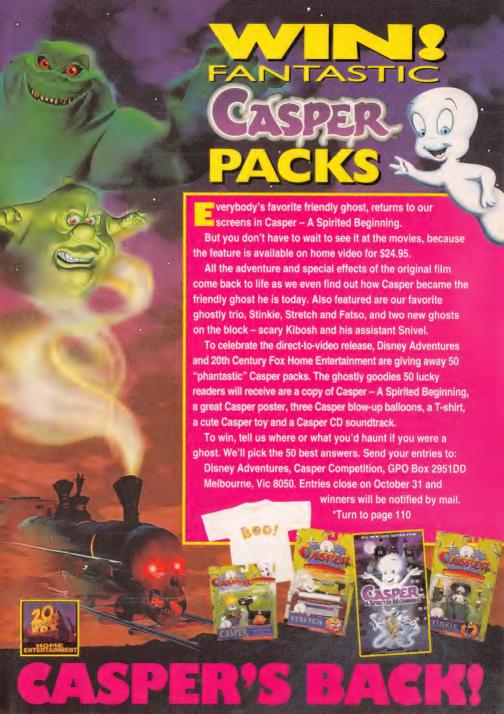
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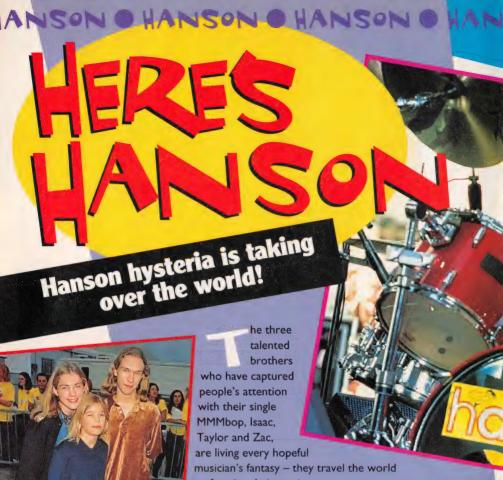
Stor: Glen Williams
Photos: Brett Stevens
Terasa's costume courtesy of
Deerfield Pty Ltd, McDourne
Terasa's wig styled and supplied





free skips game on www.skips.smiths.com.au





performing their music.

What makes their achievements all the more incredible is that the brothers are still only kids! Isaac's 16, Taylor is 14 and Zac's just 11!

At their age, you'd think the boys had just started in the music scene, but Hanson have actually been performing for years.

Isaac, who's known as lke to his friends, says: "It started about five years ago.

"We used to sing at local festivals in Tulsa (the Oklahoma town in America where the brothers live). Then, about a year later, we got instruments and started playing them."

ac, Zac and Taylor living their dream

SON @ HANSON @ HANSON @ HANSO

If you haven't heard the cool song MMMbop by now, you must be living under a rock, because this worldwide smash hit and the band behind it, Hanson, are the hottest guys around



while for them to learn their instruments - lke plays guitar, Taylor is on keyboards and Zac is the drummer. But now, after releasing two albums independently and with their current one, Middle Of Nowhere, racing up the music charts, the brothers have the world at their feet.

They have already made Australian music history as the first group to have a debut single, the catchy MMMbop, go straight to No. I.

When they visited Australia recently, thousands

and thousands of their screaming, adoring fans jammed into shopping centres and cried as their pop heroes played.

But despite all the hype. these guys are staying away from the rock star lifestyle.

They still have to do schoolwork and, of course, the guys still do normal stuff like hanging out with their other

siblings, younger sisters lessica, 8, Avery, 6, and a little brother Mackenzie, 3.

When touring, the guys travel with a big group, including their parents, sisters and brother, nannies and tutors.

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HANSON O HANSON O HANSON

cope with their enormous fame - and huge number of

fans.

"Quite a lot of people have started recognising us and it's really weird. We can walk into a restaurant and

Name: Clarke Isaac Hanson Born: November 17, 1980 Nickname: Ike

"Mum

teaches us at

Name: Jordan Taylor Hanson Born: March 14, 1983 home, so while Nickname: Tay we're touring, we set aside the mornings for our lessons, which means we have to take books and

"I think getting taught at home has made us a lot closer to our family, because we can see them all the time," adds Zac.

computers everywhere," Isaac says.

The brothers agree that their close family and friends have helped them

Hanson fan club

You can get in contact with Hanson at: Hanson, c/- HITZlist, PO Box 703136, Tulsa, OK, 74170, USA.

Born: October 22, 1985 Nickname: Zac

Name: Zachery Walker Hanson

someone will ask for our autographs," Taylor says.

Zac gets more than 50 e-mails a day from fans

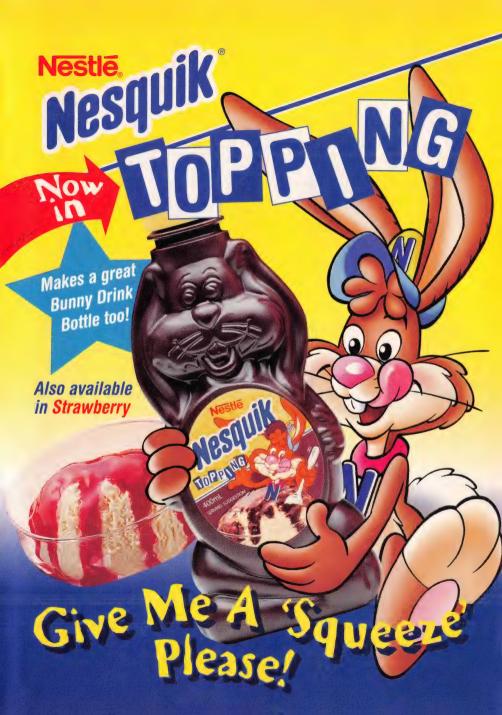
wanting a date! "We don't have time for girlfriends," explains Taylor. "Anyway, we're too young."

For such a young band, Hanson have impressed people who've been in the industry for years with their level-headed attitude to all the fame and attention they've been receiving.

"It's just funny how people respond to success. All these fans going crazy, you just have to have fun with it," Isaac says.

> "It's not about you. It's about the position you've been put in."

> > Story: Emily Wood



THE CHALLENGE

australia's strongest man, David Huxley, has pulled planes and trains, but when Aaron and David Ficken created their very own strongman task for him, he couldn't resist the challenge.

Aaron, 11, and David, 9, from Murrabit Group School in country Victoria, are the winners of the Weet-Bix

Strongman Challenge. Their challenge: For David Huxley to pull a massive milk tanker along the road.

"We couldn't believe it when we won," says Aaron. "It was really exciting having David come to the school."

Aaron says his mum suggested the idea – there are a lot of dairies around the Murrabit area. And, of course, Weet-Bix needs milk to taste great!

As part of the competition, Aaron, David and their classmates shared an energy boosting Weet-Bix breakfast with David Huxley before the big challenge, complete with huge, strongman-sized boxes of Weet-Bix.

"How can we eat this many Weet-Bix?"



asked one of David and Aaron's classmates.

Strongman David Huxley meets the

challenge set by David (left) and Auton

"I bet
David
Huxley
couldn't eat
this many!"

"If we eat heaps of Weet-Bix, will we be as big as David?" the winners wondered.



When it was time for the big challenge, David Huxley didn't disappoint the kids.

The combination of his incredible, recordbreaking strength and his breakfast of Weet-Bix did the trick.

"I didn't think he could do it," says Aaron. "I want to be like him one day."

Photos: Kent Boswell





It's no myth—Disney animators loooove adding inside jokes to their movies, and

animators looove adding inside jokes to their movies, and Hercules is no exception. We begged, pleaded and even bribed them to share some of the secrets sprinkled throughout the flick.

Hercules



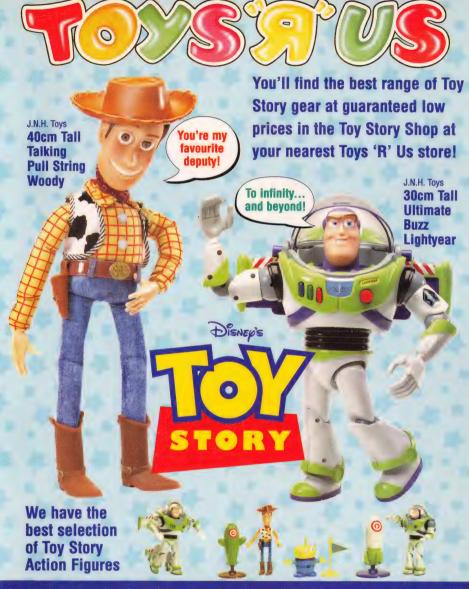
Want to see *Hercules'* main men?
Pay attention when young Herc pulls a cart through the arch at the town's entrance. He almost knocks two burly construction workers to the ground. Those workers are animated versions of directors John Musker and Ron Clements, who did their own voice work, too!



The Real World

Many of the scenes in *Hercules* take place at sites found in the real world. Hades' lair overlooking Thebes is based on chiseled cliff tombs in Turkey. And the rock formation where Herc fights the Hydra monster really exists in Greece.





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Waxing

magine being surrounded by Arnold Schwarzenegger, Elle Macpherson, Shane Warne and Prime Minister John Howard!

No, you're not at the opening of the latest celebrity cafe or an awards ceremony, you're at Madame Tussaud's famous wax museum, which will open in Melbourne this month, and is the first touring exhibition since the museum settled in London more than 162 years ago.

Madame Tussaud's is a major tourist attraction in Britain, displaying hundreds of incredibly life-like models of movie stars, musicians, sports and historical figures.

It was started by Frenchwoman Marie
Tussaud about 200 years ago and, according to
Vicky Brown, the general manager of the
Australian arm of the museum, she was an
amazing woman. "Madame Tussaud's
mother worked for a doctor, Phillipe
Curtius, who was good at wax
modelling," explains Vicky. "He
taught her how to model in wax
and she proved very talented."

Marie went to work at the Royal Court of King Louis XVI as an art tutor in 1780, but returned to Paris at the beginning of the French Revolution.

During this time, many people were jailed and guillotined and Marie and her mother were among those who spent time in jail.

"She managed to get out of jail and

Left: Cuddling up to West Indian batting star Brian Lara

escape the guillotine by making death masks of the executed noblemen," Vicky says. "It would have been a terrible job as many of



Madame Tussaud ... survived the French Revolution and then thrived in England

chamber of horrors is probably our most popular exhibit."

To carry on the great Madame
Tussaud tradition of wax modelling, the Tussaud group employ only the best people, including

Vicky Brown with James Bond star Pierce Brosnan and 20th Century genius Albert Einstein

her friends were among the executed."

After the revolution, Madame Tussaud moved to Britain, where she made a travelling exhibition of relics from the revolution and models of the public people of the day.

Vicky adds: "She also had the chamber of horrors, but because the ladies of the day were quite respectable and easily shocked, they called it the Separate Room and charged a separate admission fee. Now, the

Actress Jodie Foster gets a touch up

sculptors,

moulders, hair and coloring artists, wardrobe specialists and researchers.

The actual process of creating a wax model is a painstaking one and

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Waxing it!

usually takes about six months to complete.

Vicky says it's a combination of market

London studios," Vicky says. "Nelson Mandela (President of South Africa) had his sitting at Heathrow airport in London between flights!"

After all the measurements have been taken, the artists mould clay around a metal skeleton. The actual figure is then made from wax and fiberglass.

The detail is so specific that they use human hair and it is individually woven

says.

into the models.

"We can actually shampoo the model's hair," Vicky

research and a portraits committee which decides who will be the next personality to be modelled for the exhibition.

"We look at television programs, movies and who's in or out.

"It either has to be someone famous or infamous," she says. "It has to be someone

who's going to be around for a long time because each model costs from \$50,000 to make."

Once the subject for a new model has been decided on, the next step is to have them in for a sitting. Sculptors take hundreds of measurements and photos and match skin color, hair and eyeballs.

"Sometimes it's hard to get a busy person to attend the sitting in our Sizing up: Shane Warne, Cathy Freeman and NZ's Jonah Lomu

AUSSIE WAX MODELS

As well as international stars and figures like the Queen, Sylvester Stallone and Madonna, there are also going to be some special Down Under figures, who have been specially modelled for the exhibition. On show are:

John Howard – The Prime Minister of Australia Wayne Carey – Australian Rules footballer
Andrew Gaze – basketballer
Cathy Freeman – track and field athlete
Jonah Lomu – New Zealand rugby player
Jeff Kennett – Premier of Victoria
Samantha Riley – Olympic swimmer
Mick Doohan – 500cc motorcycle champ
Shane Warne – cricketer

Elle Macpherson – supermodel

figures are so lifelike, it is eerie. I look at the models and think, 'Wow'."

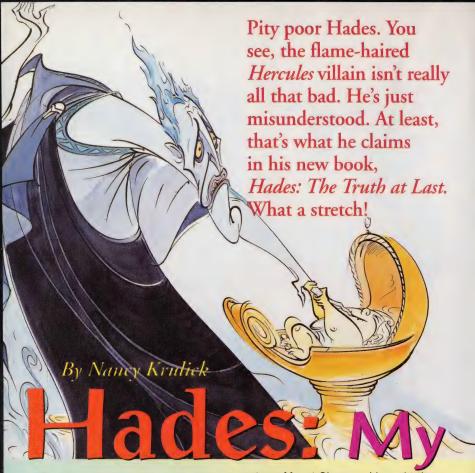
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Madam Tussaud's exhibition will open on October 5 at Melbourne's World Trade Centre. Tickets can be booked at Ticketmaster Bass on 11 500.

Story: Emily Wood Photos: Rebekah Thompson



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llow me to introduce myself. I am Hades. Lord of the Dead. I know what you're thinking. You've heard I'm mean. A villain. Always looking for trouble. You probably even think I set out to destroy that muscle man, Hercules, and take over Olympus.

But it's not true. The press has just given me a bad rap. The truth is, I helped Hercules. Really, I did.

It all began soon after Hercules was born. Zeus and his wife threw a huge

party on Mount Olympus. I brought the child a lovely gift—and how did the kid thank me? By just about wrenching my hand off!

Just a few short days before I would have to take my place on Mount Olympus, I heard that Hercules was desperate to get a fighting gig in Thebes to prove himself a hero.

I wanted to help the lad out. Pulling a few strings—and laying out a few

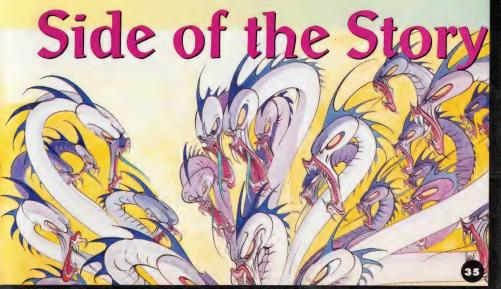
bucks—I got him entered in the Main Event. It would be the battle of the season. Hercules versus the Hydra. Upon seeing the fiendish creature, however, I immediately regretted my interference.

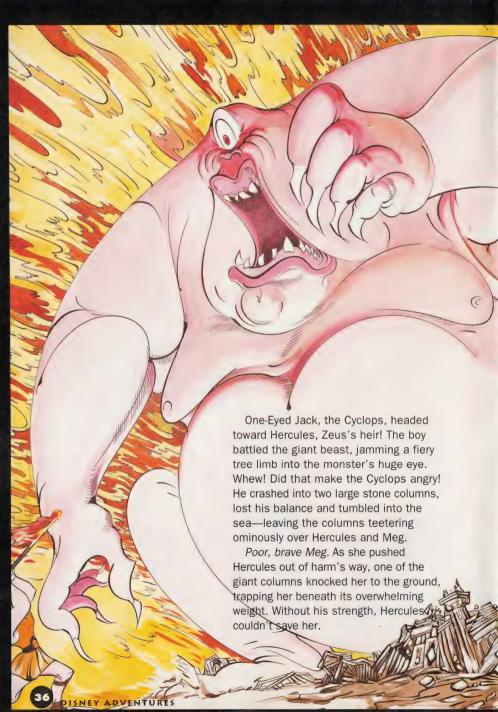
Soon after, when she wasn't watching her step, Meg managed to get herself tangled up in some nasty chains of death.

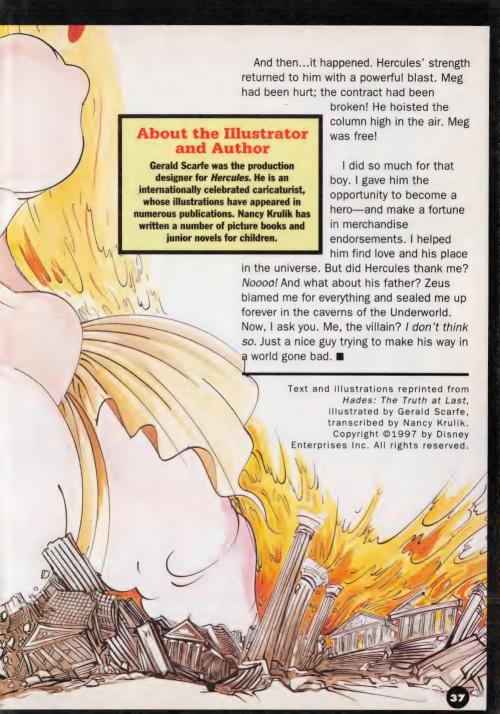
Being the *true romantic* I am, I offered Hercules a chance to save Meg. All he had to do was give up his strength for twenty-four hours, and I would use my own powers to release her.

It seemed like a fair deal to me, but Hercules wanted a slight change in the contract. The deal would be binding as long as Meg was free from harm. Well, of course, neither of us wished to see Meg hurt, so I readily agreed.









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Most people swim a few laps of a pool and hop out when they're tired. But not Susie Maroney, she had a whole ocean to conquer! Just imagine

swimming 180km from Cuba to Florida, stroke after stroke, for a whole day non-stop.

Last year, battered by storms and giant waves, Susie made it to U.S. waters, but not onto land, like she had hoped. Her ordeal lasted 39 hours. Many people said because she'd failed to touch land, that her marathon swim didn't count.

So, facing her critics head-on, Susie, 22, made it onto land this year, completing the course in a staggering 24 hours, 34 minutes.

DA caught up with Susie on dry land to find out just how she did it.

mind during such an amazing swim?

Marathon

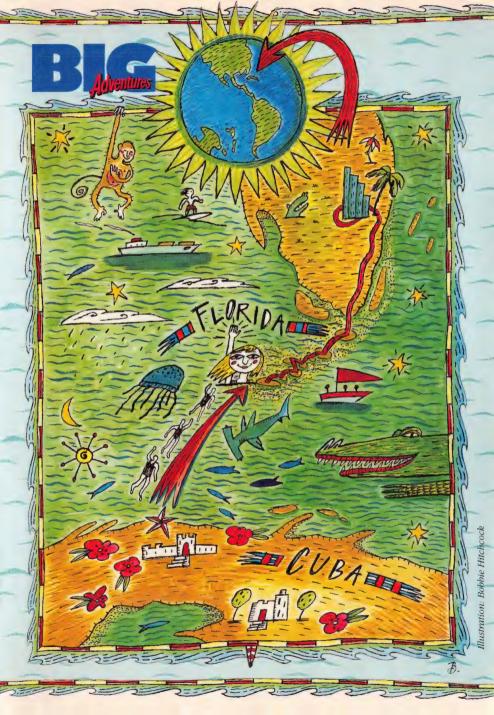
swimmer

Susie Maroney

"The first part I'm really excited.
I've dived in the water and the

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Cubans are yelling at me saying, 'Good luck', and I'm on a high.

"I concentrate for the first three hours on my stroke to make sure I'm not pulling much and my arms aren't hurting. Then I think, 'Okay, where is Mum going to sit?' That's important because she is going to feed me.

"I just watch the people on the boat for a while and see where they are going to sit because it is going to be a long journey. That is why I have my cage at the side of the boat. I need to see my mum's face to give me comfort."

Is your mum's face the most important thing to you during the swim?

"My mum feeds me every hour. I stop, tread water and she feeds me. I only stop for 90 seconds. If I stop any longer, I know I'll want to get out of the water. It is so good to see her. I love Mum because she'll say things like, 'Good girl, you are doing well'. My brother Michael is also there. He tries to make sure no jellyfish get in."

Do you ever feel like just closing your eyes, sleeping or giving up?

"I almost went to sleep and

that's when I saw two crocodiles attacking each other – and they were in my cage! I even saw monkeys on the side of the cage and Santa Claus was on the boat! I was hallucinating.

"I never thought of giving up though. You just can't get that in your head, otherwise it might happen. I just keep thinking I have to make it no matter how hard the swim is.

"The last hours of the race are just survival. It is just one arm after the other. That's when I fractured my wrist by banging into the cage. I had heaps of bruises. That was also the time I started hallucinating."

How do you prepare mentally and physically for such a challenge?

"I train at a 50m outdoor pool. I

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Susie and her strongest supporter, mum Pauline (far left) and brother Michael, who kept the jellyfish away



swim three hours in the morning and three hours at night, and that's every day except Sunday, which I have off. On Mondays, I

swim six hours straight from 6am until midday. I need to set myself goals. As for the mental preparation, I remember lying in bed at night, just going over and over the swim, picturing what I was going to do.

"I would say to myself, 'Don't get upset until you have done 12 hours'. I'd say, 'Be strong for 12 hours and then you can start complaining'."

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WHY SUSIE SWIMS

ASK Susie if she ever wishes she was just a lap swimmer at her local Olympic pool rather than the marathon queen playing the world's oceans and the answer is a loud "yest"

So why does she put herself through such super human tests of mental and physical endurance?

"I started marathon swimming because I was born with asthma. I started swimming to build up my lungs. I was originally a pool swimmer covering shorter distances like the 100m backstroke. I was never really a freestyler. Then I tried the 800m, and I wasn't tired at the end of it. My coach noticed this and it went on from there. I was 13 at the time.

"At 14, I decided to swim 16km at Manly Dam, I came second in that."

Susie then tried her luck at the American Nationals competing in the 25km race. She won and moved on to conquer the English Channel at 15. "I just kept progressing."

Modesty is one of Susie's strongest virtues. She never boasts about her amazing conquests. "You get so used to it." she says. "You don't really think about what you have done."

SUPER SUSIE

What was the hardest part?

"Getting stung by jellyfish and reaching the 12-hour mark. But then I thought, 'You aren't going to be in this water forever, you'll be out of the water eventually and you can have McDonalds and muck around and laugh'.

"I kept thinking that it was all eventually going to be over. I guess what keeps you going is having your family there. And even though you want to do the swim for yourself, you also want to make everyone proud of you as well – especially all the people in Australia who have supported you. You think about them as well."

How do you relax? Do you find the water a calming place or is it something that has to be conquered?

"To relax I love to go rollerblading. I also go to the movies with my friends. I have a

THE GORY DETAILS

WANT to know what marathon swimmers like Susle Maroney do to pass the time while swimming the endiess oceans of the world?

They throw-up a lot!

And as for going to the tollet, Susie says while she is swimming there is never really a need. lot of friends who aren't swimmers, so that gives me a balance.

I definitely think the water is calming, I love it.

"Even when I don't have to swim on Sundays you'll find me back in the water. Even when it's cold. I love to get my goggles and go under the water and muck around. It's just so peaceful. I can pretend I'm a dolphin, it's just so soothing."

Do you have a favorite stroke?

"I have to do freestyle. I do a bit of breast stroke, but I mainly stick to freestyle as I like to get to where I'm going as fast as I can!"

What is your diet routine?

"When swimming I mainly eat carbohydrates. I make sure if I'm going to have McDonald's that I only have it once a week and not every day!"

Do you have any advice for Disney Adventures' readers

While ploughing through the constantly churning waters, Susie swallows heaps of salt water and she also suffers really horrible bouts of sea sickness.

"I usually have hot chocolate mixed with coffee when I stop," she says. "And I can only eat baby food because I can't swallow.



who might want to achieve feats similar to yours?

"Always set goals. It's easy to make goals, the hard part is turning them into a reality. But if you really want something, it is achievable. Don't let anyone say it What's next?

"I don't really know just yet. There is something on the boil, I'll be doing something hopefully at the end of the year."

Story: Glen Williams

"I can't swallow because of all the salt water in my throat. I'm vomiting the whole time because I get seasick. I'm hopeless like that."

Most of us when sick and vomiting have the luxury of doing it in the privacy of our bathrooms. Poor Susie had her worst moments while being filmed by the world's media.

"It was so embarrassing with all those people watching me," Susie laughs.

"What's worse is that all those television cameras are around. It was so embarrassing because I was so close to the boat.

"I couldn't even swallow fresh water. It was the worst thing."



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The prize packs

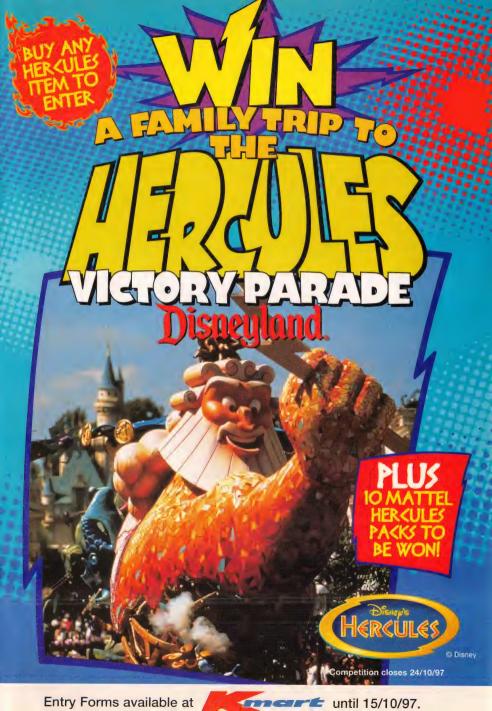
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PRESENTS FOR PETS

PETS are pretty special and we often don't spoil them enough. Now you'll have no excuses because there's a whole range of gifts made especially for your four-legged friend called Presents For Pets. There are humorous leashes, baseball caps, T-shirts, stickers and badges. Presents For Pets will have your best friend begging for more!

HERCULES

IF you loved the film, you're going to love all these cool products from Len Hunter Trading. There are Hercules and Meg money boxes and cups and bowls that are sure to make dinner time fun. (Maybe you could tell your parents that you'll eat your veggies if you can have one!) Or snuggle up with cute Pegasus and baby Herc soft toys at bedtime. We just love the Baby Herc cuddly toy.

SEA MONKEYS

THE unusual pets that could be ordered from comic books when our parents were kids, are available for the kids of today.

Sea Monkeys come in a kit that has all you need to create your own Sea Monkey kingdom - water purifier, eggs and growth food.

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Like the real thing, My Baby comes with few instructions, so you'll have to work out just what it wants. And if you don't look after it properly - it will die! There's a My Puppy

too.

ALIEN

JUST in time for Halloween! Aliens from Moose are squelchy, gross balls and key chains that look like something from The

X-Files. They also glow in the dark. Verrrry spooky!

HOT WHEELS

NOW, you don't have to wait till you're 18 to get your own set of wheels.

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Fisher Price have a new range of Power Wheel vehicles that have all the features of mum and dad's car. These jeeps have lots of knobs, levers and dials and even a CB radio! They come in a sporty red or, for the girls, in a fun Barbie design.

We love the Barbie Beach Sun Jammer because it. comes with a mobile phone!

The Hot Wheels jeeps go from 4-9km and run in grass or concrete.

This is definitely one present to ask Santa for this year.

They're small enough to fit in the tiniest pocket. They're miniature works of art. They cover just about every subject you can think of. They're treasured by collectors all over the world. They're sometimes worth more the older they get. What are they?

STAMPS of course!

October is Stamp Collecting Month all around Australia. Check out the Creatures of the Night stamps, out on 1 October. They come in a fantastic mini sheet, with the stamps forming part of a larger picture.

It's amazing what you can learn from collecting stamps. Did you know...

An adult platypus has no teeth, but a young platypus has 'baby teeth' which drop out and are not replaced.

Owls' eyes are right at the front of their heads, which means that they don't have all-round vision like other birds. To make up for this, they can swivel their heads completely backwards.

> A vellow-bellied glider's flights through the air average 30 to 40 metres, but a flight of 120 metres has been recorded. (That's roughly the length of a rugby field!)

The spotted-tailed quall is the most ferocious creature of the Australian bush. It eats birds, reptiles and small mammals killing them with a bite to the base of the skull.





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STAMPS

Stamp collecting is the world's most poplar hobby! There are millions of stamp collectors all over the world, and more than 1 million collectors in Australia alone.

A secret picture

A secret pic

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Sequins, satins and silks –it's the glamorous side of the sport of calisthenics, but as DA discovered, a lot of sweat goes into preparing for a competition

visit to a calisthenics club not only shows you the thrills and skills involved in this sport, you'll also see the colorful and intricate leotards that are such an important part of competitions.

We spent a weekend with a calisthenics team, watching as they practised and prepared their costumes for a calisthenics
Eisteddfod in October in Ballarat, Victoria.

They sure work hard.
While the South Australian
Junior Team do their warm
ups in the practice hall,
their mums unload
sewing machines and
materials needed to
create the 10 costumes
each girl needs for
competitions.

It takes about 10 hours to sew the sequins on each costume – and

Above: Getting
the makeup just right
Left and below: All sewn up ... but it
takes 10 hours of sewing to get on
all the sequins

remember, there are 10 costumes for each mum to sew! They sew for about four hours on Saturday

afternoons, while their daughters train, and then spend an extra two hours a week at home to finish the costumes.

Helen, the costumes manager for the team, works with a budget of about \$5000 to buy all the basic materials like lycra and lace. It costs about \$280 for each girl's costume and official team tracksuit. The team's wardrobe also includes hair scrunchies, wigs, shoes, stockings and makeup.

As well as practising on Saturdays in

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DANCING QUEENS

the state team, the girls attend weekly sessions at their local calisthenics club.

Calisthenics coaches say
the sport teaches girls personal
discipline, teamwork and confidence as well as
the physical benefits of coordination, poise and
muscle control. Yes, a few boys do calisthenics,
but the sport is dominated by girls.

Calisthenics is a total lifestyle for South Australian Junior Team Coach Diane Nicholls. She chooses the music, choreographs each routine and trains the girls. She has two volunteer coaches as there's lots to get through when training the team for a competition.

The sections include: An exercise routine, marching, working with rods, the aesthetic section (graceful), a folk and dance/movement routine and a stage routine.

Calisthenics at competition level requires lots of dedication, not only from the team and now for the Junior Team
coaches, but also from their families. Most
families actually plan their annual holidays to

coincide with national competitions.

It's all together

But it's not all work. After the team has put in a hard day of practice, it's time for some fun.

There's a sleepover at one of the girls' homes.

The parents of this girl must be either insane or saints. Just sorting through the mounds of

gear they brought

seems like a mammoth task. The night is full of yummy food, spas, late night gossip and heaps of fun!

The sleep over was organised so the girls could attend the

performance of another group the next afternoon – the other group watched the state team on the previous weekend.

Apart from the thrill of competition, calisthenics helps these girls stay fit, gives them confidence and most of all, it's fun!

Story: Diane Beer Photos: Simon Stanbury



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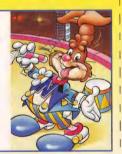
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Dear DA,

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Hi, my name is Katy and I'm 10 years old. I go to

Somersville Primary and I have two sisters who are 15 and 17. I love to do ballet and tap dancing. I love

your magazine and my mum buys it for me every month. I have some jokes for

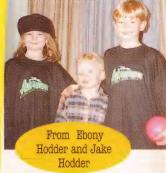
What's yellow and stupid?

Thick custard!

What goes: "Now you see me, now you don't?"

A snowman on a zebra crossing!

> From Katy George, Somerville, Vic



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Hi DA!

My name is Frances and I'm 11. I live in Ranfurly in the South Island of New Zealand, I really eniou your magazine and have been collecting it non-stop for almost two years. My favorite thing in the whole world is the Teddy bear. I hope you like my picture of Mega Ted!

> From Frances Hackshaw. Ranfurly, NZ

Dear DA.

Hi! My name is Melissa and Lam 10. I have written a poem for you. CATS

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Anybody's lap will do. Fitted in a Cardboard box. In the cupboard.

With your frocks. Anywhere,

They don't care! Cats sleep anywhere.

> From Melissa Lim, Oakleigh, Vic



My name is Tara Boyd and I am nearly 10. I have one sister and two brothers. We live on a farm and have lots of pets. Last year, we went to Queensland

> for a holiday and I got to hold a koala at Dream World.

From Tara Boyd, Brim, Vic



Ranfurly, NZ

Hi! My name is Jaryth and I live in Alice Springs. I love looking at the pictures in DA and my mum and dad read the stories to me. I liked the Sweet Business story in July DA. I do tae kwon do and I have a little sister called Scarlett.

> From Jaryth Twine, Alice Springs, NT



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WREED ON

Dear DA.

My name is Bryce
Johnson and I'm 11.
I love your comics,
Weird Yet True and
Hot Video Games. I've
collected your mag for
almost year. I love
them. I really like
Weird Yet True,
because it gives me a
bit of a giggle. Here's
a joke for you.

Dear DA

a joke for you.
Q. What
two words
should you
never say
on an

aeroplane? A. Hi Jack!

From Bryce Johnson, Shepparton,

Vic



From Krystal Ecclestone, Bellvue, WA



From Melissa Arbotante, Davao City, Philippines

Hi! My name

is Aram and I

am eight. I'm

going to have a

little sister or

October. I buy

Adventures

every month. I

never miss out.

Here is a joke.

Q. Why do

dinosaurs avoid

A. Because

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it's over their

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heads.

astronomy?

brother in

Disney



Dear DA,

Hi! I'm Brett
Morris. I'm 11 and
I'm a big rugby fan
of the All Blacks
and Auckland
Blues. I go to Mt
Roskill Intermediate
school in Auckland.
My favorite player
is the injured
Michael Jones of
the All Blacks. I
think DA is
sensational

From Brett Morris, Mt Roskill, NZ

SUPER WHIPPED BLUEBERRY

Ingredients:

A tub of blueberry yogurt Half a cup of whipped cream Strawberries cut in half Two cups of milk

Method:

Put all the ingredients together in a blender till it's nice and smooth. Serve cold in glasses. Enjoy!

From Trevor Stubbs, O'Connor, ACT



Dear DA,

Hi! My name is Kody. I am 11. I have three brothers, Josh, Nick and Tyson. I also have one dog and two birds. This is a picture of me hanging out with the bad guys at Dream World.

> From Kody Cook, Inverell, NSW



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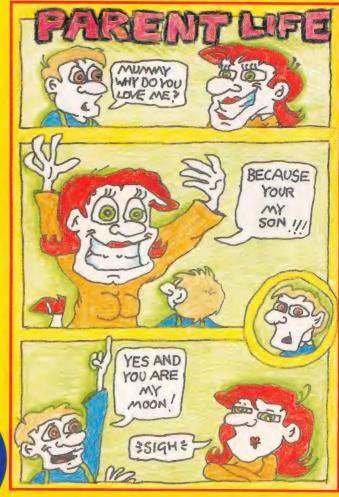
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JUNIOR COMICS ZONE

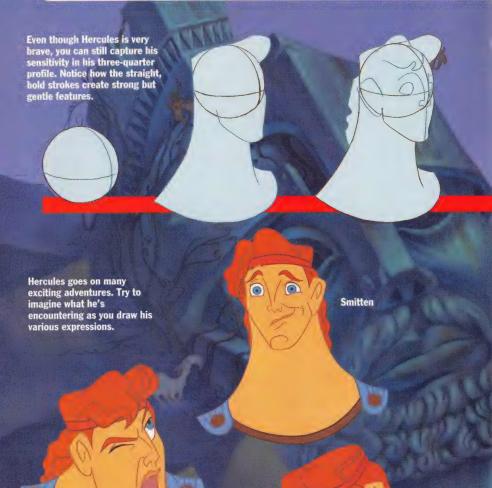
Winner for October, 1997 Eddie Ivaneza Age: 11 Melbourne, Vic

The Rules: Open to readers aged 7-14. All submissions must state your name and age and must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope in order to be considered for the Junior Comics Zone. All comics must be no longer than one page and must fit on a 16.5cm x 11cm page. All entries must be in color. Selection of comics will be at the sole discretion of the editor. Comics selected may be revised before publication. If your comic is selected, you will be contacted by mail. All entries become the property of DISNEY ADVENTURES magazine and may not be returned. And remember, entries to Junior Comics Zone should be all your own work. Copying the ideas of others is plagiarism and is illegal.

Send all comics to: **Junior Comics** GPO Box 17430 8050

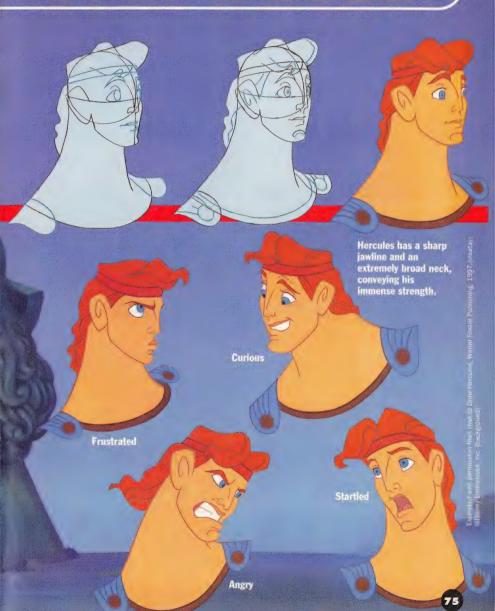


How to Draw



Shocked

Hercules

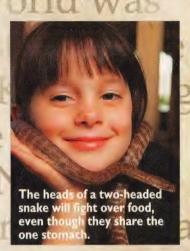


YET TRUE

This is a job for the team at The X-Files! In the U.S., there are about 10 UFO sightings reported every day.

About Time!

A rainstorm in Chile's Atacama Desert in 1970 finally ended a 400-year drought!

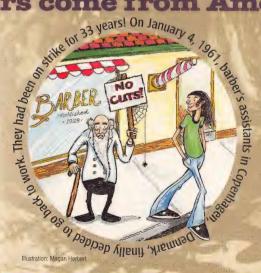


Two-thirds of the world's lawy



In 1973, 21-yearold Robert
Matern, who was
a student at the
University of
Rhode Island,
USA, set a record
by consuming 83
hamburgers in
2½ hours!





The first feature length film in the world was made in Australia, The story of The Kelly Gang, based on the life of bushranger Ned Kelly, was filmed in Australia and premiered on Melbourne screens in 1906. It ran for an hour, whereas other overseas films rarely ran for more than 10 minutes.



COMPETITION



Checkout the NEW Jellycup packs and your favourite flavours in your supermarket today!

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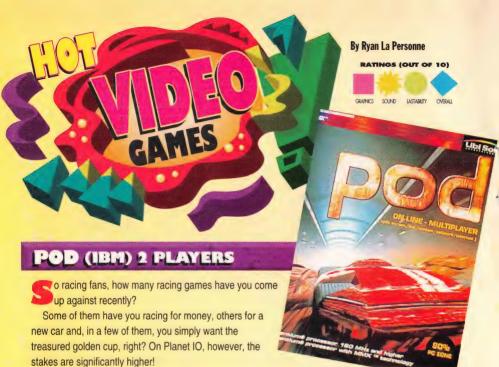












On this lovely planet, a mysterious substance known as the Pod is slowly destroying everything, without exception.

Police Capt. Derek, one of the few who is still on the planet, is in a bit of trouble. After spending a lot of time catching speeding crooks in his hotted-up police vehicle, it seems the tables have turned on him. The Stardust, a single seater spacecraft, is the only vehicle left on the planet.

The baddies have stolen it and invited Derek to a little game of their own. The winner of a series of races on treacherous circuits winding through the City will get to leave the Planet before Pod destroys everything. Choosing from eight different cars you can race against the computer, a friend or even total strangers.

The main feature that is totally cool about this game is that it allows you to jump onto the Internet and race against other drivers from around the world at almost any time of the day.

The cars handle like a dream. But with the tracks going all over the place, one minute you may have a guaranteed victory, then get side-swiped into a way-out lane.

The techno backbeat adds to the excitement (although I would have preferred something with a bit more of an adrenaline rush). Add to this the fact that your opponents are real and can get mean on the track and you're super-hyped!

Whether you're playing it alone or not, the game is great. The down side is that it tends to get a bit repetitive a bit too quickly.

Tip: If you have Internet access, this one is definitely worth driving onto! You can get updates on http://www.ubisoft.com.







CYDER SLICING

ey kids! For those of you who have net access and are hanging out for a great place to get your favorite games, try http://www.gamecenter.com. The cool and hip things that are happening here are news forums which give you the latest gosslp going around, cheats, guides, reviews and ... lots and lots of games which you can download.





BYTES & PIECES

h, winter's gone and spring's here. Time to catch some rays while catching up with the latest tricks.

Magic Carpet 2 (IBM)

Press 'I' when playing the game. When a small screen comes up on the bottom of the screen, type in 'Ratty' and then press enter.

Then press these to get:

ALT FI – All spells

ALT F2 – More mana

ALT F3 – Destroy all players

ALT F4 – Destroy all castles

ALT F5 – Destroy all

ALT F6 - Heal yourself

ALT F7 - Kill all creatures

ALT F8 – Experience next spell level

ALT F9 – Free spell usage on/off

Shift C - Complete level

James Burrowes

Hamilton, Vic

Cannon Fodder (IBM)

To skip the level, go to map, hold control and type 'fodder'. A white border should show on the map. Get out of the map and press enter.

Joel Shaddock Melton, Vic

Super Mario 64 (N64)

Does anyone know where the 'ing' cap is? We can't find it!

Patrick Lentfer Ellangowan, NSW

Super Mario Kart (SNES)

To drop green shells behind you, press down and 'A'.
To fire bananas in front of you, press up and 'A'.

Broderick Jones
Thornlic, WA

Red Alert (IBM)

Does anyone out there know any cheats or codes for Red Alert?

Karl Harney Tully, Qld

Cruis'n USA (N64)

On the car select screen hold 'C UP', 'C LEFT' and 'C DOWN' at the same time. Then use the control stick to select your vehicle and press start.

Michael Gumangan Blackburn South, Vic

ell, that's enough sunlight. Time to head back inside and send in your solutions and problems to:
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NIGHT CREATURES

or most of us, going to sleep at night signifies the end of the day. But nocturnal creatures spend the days resting and night time foraging for food and finding mates to reproduce with (nocturnal means an animal's activities are more intense and extensive at night). You might have heard an owl 'hoot' or a possum 'screech', well, the darkness is their day.

Australia has many species of nocturnal animals, both predators and their prey. Some of the common nocturnal creatures would be possums, owls, bats and lots of insects.

As part of stamp collecting month in October, Australia Post has released a series of stamps called Creatures Of The Night.

The series includes stamps of the Barking Owl, whose call is often mistaken for a barking dog; the Yellow-bellied Glider – that can glide more than 40m – and the ferocious Spottedtailed Quoll.

To celebrate stamp collecting month,
Disney Adventures and
Australia Post are giving 10 readers the chance to win a
Creatures Of The Night stamp pack.



Each prize pack contains a collectors set of the Creatures Of The Night stamp series and two books, Night Creatures and Creatures Of The Night, which give you loads of great information on nocturnal animals and their mysterious night time lives.

They'd be great for school projects.

To win one of these exclusive packs, design your own stamp and tell us what it is and why you've chosen that design. We'll choose the 10 stamp drawings we think would look the best on an envelope. Send your entries to:

Disney Adventures Stamp Competition GPO Box 2951DD

Melbourne Vic 8050

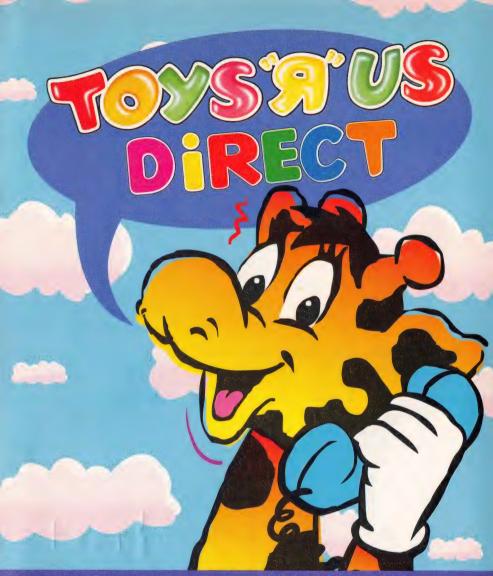
Entries close October 31.

Winners are notified by mail.

If you're interested in stamp
collecting, turn to page 58 of this
month's DA to get all the information

on Australia Post's Stamp Explorer Club.

* Turn to Page 110.



If you can't make it into one of our stores, you'll now find that the World's Biggest Toy Store is only a phone call away!

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Mickey outwits Mouse





Mickey's out to put the Phantom Blot behind bars—and you can help! The 12 phantom shapes seen below (numbered 1-12) can be rearranged to form a picture of the jailed blot (see diagram). Which shape goes where? Write your answers in the boxes at the bottom of this page. One answer has already been filled in.

The Jailed Blot



Place your answers in here as shown.



LYNX leads the way































INTERACT

Meet the

Australian

computer whizzes

who have won The

Great Connection

competition. Now

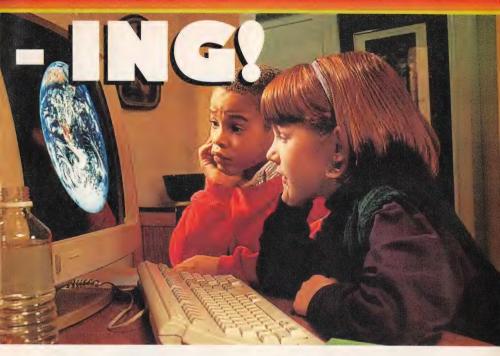
they're off to

Melbourne for a

techno wild time at

the Interact

Multimedia Festival



laying with computers
has really paid off for
the winners of the
Interact Multimedia competition.

Our four winners from Australia will spend four days in Melbourne exploring the wonders of modern technology at the Interact Asia Pacific Multimedia Festival in October.

Next month we'll announce the two winners from Asia.

They'll be joining our Aussie winners at the festival, where they'll all see new digital technologies and the latest in home entertainment and multimedia.

And judging from our winners' entries, they are going to be in computer paradise!

The organisers of the Interact festival, who all work in the computer industry, judged the competition and couldn't believe Please turn the page

INTERACT - ING!

the high standard of entries. Two of our Australian winners, Liliana and Alicia Braumberger, from the Melbourne suburb of Coburg, designed their own web site to answer the question: "How will we be communicating in 50 years?"

"We saw the competition in the magazine and because our family is addicted to computers, we decided to enter," says Liliana, 12.

"I just went mad when I found out we had won," adds Alicia, 9. "At school, my friends were asking why I was looking so hypo."

The sisters, who attend Princes Hill Primary school in Melbourne, started experimenting with different software packages when their mother got a computer for her birthday.

"We started to learn how to use animation on the computer and then we started making our own web sites," says Liliana, who is described by her classmates as "computer crazy".

Lousie Bowe, Liliana's substitute teacher, is excited too – because she may be accompanying the girls.

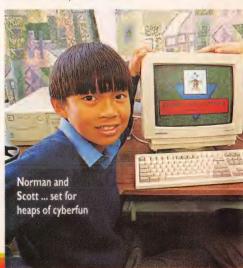
"Liliana's regular teacher is on long service leave, so if she can't attend, I suppose they could twist my arm to go," laughs Louise.

Alicia and Liliana will be joined at the festival by Scott Sandelance and Norman Browne from St Francis Xavier's school in Wynn Vale, South Australia.



Scott and Norman's entry answered the questions about multimedia and global communication.

The boys' entry combined sight and sound, with their voices





Alicia and Liliana Braumberger ... they're crazy about computers

really looking forward to seeing all the different types of technology at the Interact festival.

"I like games and learning to use programs, so it will be good to see all the stuff at the festival."

His friend Scott, 12, didn't believe Norman when he told him they'd won the competition.

"I thought Norman was mucking around," says Scott.

"I wasn't at school the day our teacher told Norman we'd won, because I was at the orthodontist.

"It will be good to have a holiday in Melbourne."

The Great Connection is a great opportunity for everybody to make new friends and learn about a different culture.

Comparing the different technologies used at their schools, and also overseas, will be fantastic too. In November DA we'll profile our winners from Asia and include some more hot info on the festival.

Story: Emily Wood Photos: The Image Bank; Ray Messner (girls); Simon Stanbury (boys)

recorded into the presentation to explain why they think multimedia is so important.

"It took us three weeks to design our entry," says Norman, 13.

"We read DA all the time and we

thought it would be good to enter."

The boys will be accompanied to Melbourne by their teacher Ian Denham. The two boys say Ian was surprised and excited for them when he found out about their win.

Norman is





But if you're going to grow your own plants, you've got to make the grooviest pot imaginable to grow them in ... and that's easy.

All you need is a terracotta pot and saucer, acrylic paint, paint brushes, potting mix, seeds or seedlings and exterior Estapol.

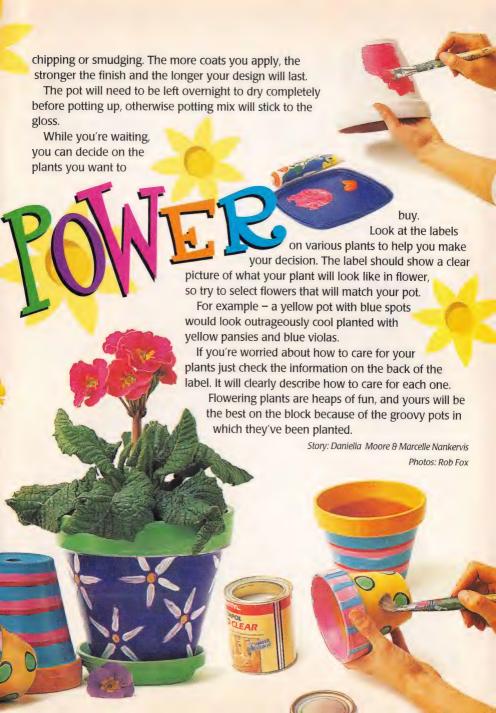
Start with a clean pot. If it's new, it will already be clean. However, if you are recycling an old pot, you will need to wash it.

Once dry, coat both the inside and outside of the pot with Estapol and leave it to dry.

Now it's time to paint your pot – the brighter the better.

You may need to use a couple of coats to get a solid finish. Do an undercoat of white paint first and then apply your base color. Once the base is a solid color, paint the pattern over it. Leave the pot to dry between coats.

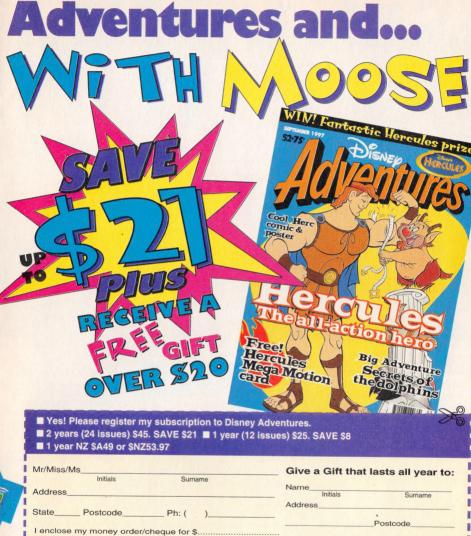
When you're satisfied with the design, leave the pot to dry thoroughly before applying another couple of coats of Estapol. Apply at least three coats to protect the design from





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7. IXL is written in orange on the jar 8. Toast is spread

covered in apricot. 5. The knife handle is red. 6. The knife blade is 3. The boy wears a blue top. 4. The girl wears a red top. I. The girl has brown hair. 2. The boy has blonde hair.

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